

Docket No. DP-302561  
(DEP 0128)

**CLEAN VERSION OF AMENDMENTS**

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel Claim 3 without prejudice.

Please amend Claims 15 and 21 as follows in re-written "clean" format:

Claim 15. (Amended/Clean) A catalyst for treating an exhaust gas stream comprising a NO<sub>x</sub> occluding catalyst structure having an outer layer comprising:

an alkaline earth component;

a rare earth component; and

a binder wherein the binder is selected from the group consisting of acidic aluminum oxide sol, alkaline aluminum oxide sol, ammonium aluminum oxide sol, and mixtures thereof, and is present in an amount of at least about 2 wt%, and less than about 6 wt%.

21. (Amended/Clean) A catalyst for treating an exhaust gas stream comprising:

a NO<sub>x</sub> occluding catalyst structure having an outer layer comprising at least about 70 wt% calcium oxide component, not more than about 25 wt % neodymium oxide component, not more than about 3 wt% stabilizer, wherein said stabilizer includes silicon, titanium, zirconium, and oxides thereof, and at least about 2 wt% binder.